

## INTO THE NEW LAND

### Sisseton Reservation Opened for Settlement

### WILD SCRAMBLE FOR HOMES

Thousands Rush Into the Promised Land at the First Note of the Bugle. The Land Office Besieged.

Lincolnwood, S. D., April 15.—At five minutes to noon a cavalry bugler, with a long yellow plume streaming from his helmet and a brand new baggie suspended from his shoulder by a bright yellow cord, rode to the crest of the hills which separate Brown's valley from the Sisseton reservation. Scattered along in an uneven line to the north and south of him were three companies of cavalry, each man fully armed with saber, revolver and carbine. Back of these were grouped or rather herded, a heterogeneous mass of men—white, yellow and black—all nationalities of the Caucasian race, with a liberal mixture of half-breeds and negroes. There were women in the crowd, too, and here and there could be seen a baby held in the arms of its mother as she sat on her horse, determined to be one of the first to enter the promised land which was to be opened to-day. As all nationalities and races of men were represented so were the animals of all kinds and colors.

The Signal Sounded. As the sun neared the meridian Maj. Bernard glanced at his watch. The bugler lifted his instrument to his lips and the crowd of landseekers gathered up their reins and awaited the signal. At last Maj. Bernard, watch in hand, nodded to the bugler who began to sound the reveille. At the first note there was a crack from the carbine of the soldier next to him, which was quickly echoed by one further down the line.

A Great Rush. The shots rang out clear in the crisp air and as the volley rattled down the lines on either side it was answered by the hoof beats of hundreds of horses spurred on by riders reckless of life or limb in the ride for land. A cloud of alkali dust rose as the motley army charged for the line of the reservation, and soon all that could be seen from the crest of the ridge was a black mass of huddled horsemen closely pursued by a whirl of yellowish dust.

A man on a Kentucky thoroughbred got a good start, and when the line was reached he was ten lengths in advance of the next rider, a tall cowboy who rode like a centaur, but who was at a disadvantage as to his mount. Behind the two leaders strung out a long line of horsemen, men in buggies, others in spring wagons and others still in huge prairie schooners, the rear being brought up by a man from Pike county, Mo., whose wife, children and household effects were contained in a Conestoga wagon drawn by a yoke of oxen. On and on went the flying column, and within half an hour the last man and vehicle vanished from sight beyond the foothills, and the soldiers, at the word of command, wheeled and returned to camp, their duty in opening the reservation being finished.

At the Land Office. WASHINGTON, S. D., April 15.—Every body except the 1,000 men in line at the land office left for the borders of the reservation early in the morning to be ready for the signal gun at noon. A substantial chute to hold a line of men in single file had been constructed at the land office and flings were taken at the rate of two a minute. The man who had first place has been holding it since Saturday night. He was offered \$5,000 for it, but refused. The 190th place in line sold for \$600.

Dropped Dead. BRIDGEPORT, Conn., April 15.—Alfred Barnes Palmer, son of Rev. Charles Ray Palmer, of this city, and a member of the class of '91 at Yale, dropped dead Thursday morning while riding horseback about 3 miles north of this city. In company with his sister and Mr. Pitkin, a classmate, he was out for a pleasure ride. Death was due to heart disease and came without any warning. The young man was an unusually bright scholar. He was 21 years old.

Recovers His Money. NEW YORK, April 15.—The jury in the suit of Col. Edward C. James against Lawyer J. Henry Work to recover \$200,000, alleged to have been illegally lost in financial operations through the firm of Grant & Ward in 1894-5, returned a verdict of \$99,330 in favor of the plaintiff. With the \$20,000 he got to release his claim against Grant & Ward, Col. James thus comes out of the Grant & Ward failure with a little more than the actual cash of \$80,000 he put in and lost.

To Extend the Free Postal Delivery. WASHINGTON, April 15.—The senate has passed a bill appropriating \$200,000 for the extension of an additional wing to the national museum in Washington; a joint resolution appropriating \$75,000 for the removal of the peace monument at the foot of Capitol hill and the erection of a statue of Christopher Columbus in its place; a bill extending the free delivery (now confined to towns of 5,000 inhabitants or \$5,000 annual postal receipts).

Scottish-Irish to Meet. ATLANTA, Ga., April 15.—The fourth annual congress of the Scotch-Irish society of America will convene in this city on April 22 and remain in session three days. The Atlanta Scotch-Irish society is making great preparations for the event, and the indications are that the meeting will be the most interesting in the history of the society.

Trained Will Not Be a Cardinal. Mr. WATKINS, April 15.—Father Cleary, of Kenosha, has written a letter stating that he is in receipt of a communication from Archbishop Ireland, in which the latter states that there is no foundation to the report that he is to be made a cardinal.

Clark Young Loses His Place. WASHINGTON, April 15.—Mr. James R. Young was officially informed Thursday of the action of the senate in secret session declaring vacant the office of principal executive clerk of the senate held by him. This action was taken last Monday in the adoption of a resolution introduced by Senator Hale and reported on favorably by the committee on foreign relations. Mr. Young

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Every week furnishes something new and delightful to talk about—something that the season kaleidoscope brings to sunlight from the great workrooms of the world

## Joyous Eastertide

with its beautiful lilies—symbols of purity and new life—will greet us soon. Every one who can will celebrate the season with a new bonnet and gown, parasol, etc. And this brings us to the subject of

## New Parasols.

The myriads of lovely parasols shown by us are triumphs, come to crown the labor of long months, enabling us to place before the fair critics of Grand Rapids the most attractive display that will be seen here this year.

## Our Exhibit.

gathers in all the parasol varieties known to fashion. The carriage, coaching, club, mourning, and a large variety of staple and fancy trimmed. The ruffle and flouncing effects predominate. Some are made in Taffeta and changeable silks to match all silk dress goods

## Our Cloak Department Is a Perfect Storm of Success.



Such beautiful spring garments for so little money keeps everyone amazed and thousands buying. Verily we must be doing all the business in Grand Rapids in the cloak line. We have sizes and style to supply every lady in the city; they are new, beautiful, stylish, and you can go as low as you like in price, down to \$2.00 a garment. Of course we have every good style out—Jackets, Reefers, Capes, Blazers, in all new designs and fabrics.

## The Carriage Parasol

is found in colors, also in black satin and silk. You will say they are swell. Others are in white brocade, trimmed with Chiffon lace with single and double ruffles. Figured India silk coverings will be worn with all summer costumes, our line is exquisite. Black and colored satins with deep, heavy flounces are also lovely to go with costumes. During the coming week extraordinary inducements will be offered to all who purchase parasols.

## Kid Glove News.

Our fondness or penchant for nice gloves and many of them is shown by the beautiful assortment gathered from the celebrated makers only. Ladies tell us that in no store do they see such desirable shades and such endless quantities.

## The Predominating Colors

worn in Paris and London are Mimosa and Mais (primrose shades) Pearl, Lavender, Modes ank White. The Gant de Suede is undoubtedly the most fashionable glove worn in Paris this season. Biarritz and Glace gloves are also popular; of these we show all fashionable shades. Our importation of Chamois Gloves in four button and mosquetaire lengths will be placed on sale Monday morning. The assortment comprises white with black stitching and all the popular colors.

## For Evening Wear

we have the long Suedes (12 to 26 button) in white, black, operas, tans, creams, etc.

Do not lose track of the bargains in the Vossen stock. They tell their own story without much advertising. There are innumerable dress patterns and staple dry goods of all kinds that are being picked up every day by wise people. As long as they hold out they are yours at almost any price.

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